

WASHLET™ for age-appropriate bathrooms

Designing the right bathroom for older adults: TOTO's shower toilet is key to self-determined living.



Most people would love to have a spacious, comfortable bathroom at home for their later years of life. It goes without saying that this should not look like one designed specifically for accessibility. When the first limitations emerge, it is possible to plan functional solutions that will help people in this space – including an accessible shower and a washbasin that could accommodate a wheelchair. None the less, it should include functional solutions to help people as their limitations emerge. A shower toilet like TOTO WASHLET™ is an important part of an age-appropriate bathroom.

As people lose their strength and mobility with age, things like going to the toilet can become very difficult. It's an unpleasant experience to feel helpless in such intimate moments – especially for older people who wish to live self-determined lives with dignity. Designing an age-appropriate bathroom is an important step to keep people going to the toilet as long as possible without assistance. A shower toilet available with various features and at different price points is an important part of an age-appropriate bathroom. The benefit: It's possible to replace a conventional toilet with a shower toilet in rented flats or during minor renovations.

Comfort technologies simplify use

TOTO WASHLET™ makes using the toilet a comfortable, soothing experience for all generations, not just older people. Designed by the experts in Japan, this shower toilet features comfort technologies that simplify its use. Some WASHLET™ models have a lid that automatically raises when someone approaches – even warming the seat to a comfortable temperature. The seat

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temperature is adjustable by remote control, which is especially comfortable during the winter. The heated seat switches to standby operation at night and can be turned off on warmer days. Intimate warm water cleansing ensures maximum cleanliness and hygiene, which is easy to control at the touch of a button on the convenient remote control. WASHLET™ essentially eliminates the need for toilet paper because it cleans – and, on some models, dries – the intimate areas automatically. This is a huge help and relief for people with limited mobility.

Quickly convert conventional toilets to shower toilets

It's possible to install a shower toilet in rented flats or during renovations, helping to prepare the bathroom for the challenges older people face. TOTO launched a website with all of the important info about WASHLET™ and the ability to book this installation service with specially trained technicians: my-washlet.de. People don't always have the luxury of time to plan an accessible, age-appropriate bathroom. Sometimes, the need arises from one day to the next. TOTO works with partner companies throughout Germany who can install your shower toilet quickly and easily.

TOTO WASHLET™ in detail

Made by the experts in Japan, TOTO WASHLET™ has the most comfort and hygiene technologies of any manufacturer on the market. Over 50 million of them have sold world-wide – and it's growing in popularity every day. Special WASHLET™ features include:

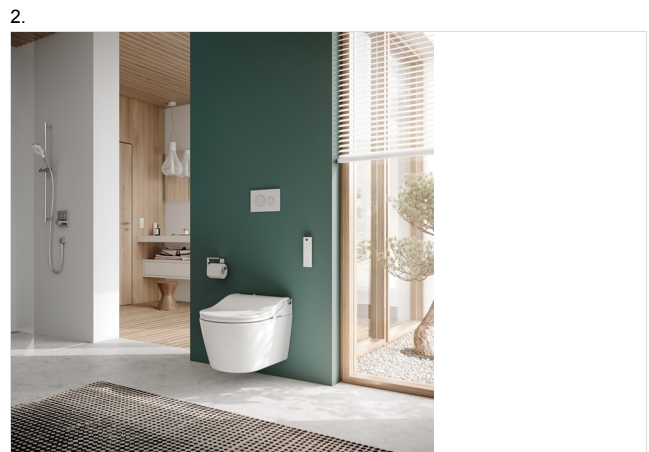
- **Wand jet** above the ceramic. This position protects the wand jet from dirt and waste. A cover flap also keeps it clean. This placement keeps the wand jet from coming into contact with flush water, keeping all technical components clean if the toilet clogs.
- **Ewater+** is electrolysed water with antibacterial properties. Ewater+ is completely safe for the environment and can be returned to the water cycle without concern. TOTO uses ewater+ following the flush to spray the toilet bowl with bacteria-fighting water and thoroughly clean the wand jet inside and out after use.
- **Descaling**: In Germany, water hardness levels are very high due to elevate lime content of the water. Like many other household appliances, it's necessary to descale shower toilets as well. This is easy for anyone to do all WASHLET™ models, whether manually or with an automatic descaling programme.
- **PREMIST**: This feature sprays the toilet bowl with a mist before use because dirt or waste is less likely to stick to moist a moist surface compared to a dry one.
- **CEFIONTECT**: An extremely smooth glaze applied to the toilet bowl which gives even the smallest particles of dirt practically no chance of sticking. The CEFIONTECT glaze is incredibly durable, keeping the ceramic surface clean and shiny for years of use.

1 Bathrooms designed for people’s later years are often the last ones they use – and most people would love to have a spacious, comfortable bathroom. When the first limitations emerge, it is possible to plan functional solutions that will help people in this space – including an accessible shower and a washbasin with enough clearance for a wheelchair. A shower toilet with various features and at different price points is an important part of an age-appropriate bathroom. The RG model is shown here. Photo: TOTO

2 A comfortable and accessible shower toilet can make life easier for people as they age and face physical limitations. TOTO WASHLET™ makes going to the toilet a pleasant, beneficial experience. All shower toilets from the Japanese experts feature comfort technologies that simplify their use – including intimate cleansing with warm water. The RW from TOTO complements all types of bathroom architectures and interior designs with its timeless design. Photo: TOTO

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4 The fastest way to your own WASHLET™: A cable conduit matching the interior will carry power to the TOTO shower toilet without unsightly wires. Photo: TOTO



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5 Step by step, the bath is designed to work well for older people with physical limitations. When installing the shower toilet, the TOTO-trained technicians professionally adjust the fitting panel to meet the available space. The water and power connections are integrated in the back of this panel. This makes it possible to install WASHLET™ without doing any renovation work. Photo: TOTO

6 Just a touch of the bottom – and the shower toilet is ready for use. The technicians carefully check all of the functionalities and user settings. It's possible to save preferred settings for up to two people. Photo: TOTO

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About TOTO Europe

TOTO, one of the world's leading sanitary ware companies, has an unwavering focus on people and their well-being. Established in Kitakyushu, Japan in 1917, TOTO has been developing, producing and marketing its comprehensive high-end bathroom concepts for the European market since 2009. The company aims to create a new attitude towards life through regeneration, comfort and hygiene, integrating technologies into their product designs in a smart, nearly invisible way. Japan's leading manufacturer in the sector, TOTO offers a comprehensive range of products including ceramic sanitary ware, faucets and accessories. In 2020, the company looked back on 40 years of developing and manufacturing its renowned WASHLET™. TOTO supports the development of a fully emission-free society and is very committed to sustainability: By joining the RE100 initiative, TOTO Group will convert all of its facilities to power from sustainable energy sources by the year 2040. The company also received certification from the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBT) to reduce greenhouse gases in line with the Paris Agreement, and to systematically cut CO₂ emissions further on this basis. TOTO employs 30,000 people world-wide.

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